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FOLLOWING RPT KHARTOUM 2491 SENT ACTION SECSTATE 27 JUL.

QUOTE: S E C R E T KHARTOUM 2491

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDEV, US, SO, SU

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF U.S. DECISION RE ARMS FOR SOMALIA

REF: STATE 173056

1. I CONVEYED CONTENTS REFTEL MORNING JULY 27 TO
HASHIM OSMAN, FOREIGN OFFICE UNDER SECRETARY.
I USED ALL THREE PARAGRAPHS OF REFTEL, AND
CONCLUDED BY STATING IN LOW-KEY WAY THE DISTINC-
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TIONS BETWEEN SOMALIA DECISION AND THAT WHICH
HAS BEEN MADE RE ARMS FOR SUDAN.

2. OSMAN REPLIED THAT HE WAS VERY HAPPY THAT USG
HAD TAKEN INITIAL STEPS TO HELP SOMALIA GET OUT
FROM UNDER SOVIET DOMINATION. HE FELT THIS
WAS OPPORTUNE TIME FOR ALL FRIENDLY COUNTRIES

TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EFFORT. HE BELIEVED THAT SOMALIA'S MOVING AWAY FROM PRESENT CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH USSR WOULD TAKE TIME. HOWEVER, OSMAN CONTINUED, U.S. DECISION WAS IN LINE WITH PRESIDENT NIMEIRI'S VIEWS REGARDING SOVIET PENETRATION OF AFRICA, WHICH LATTER HAD SO FRANKLY EXPRESSED AT LIBREVILLE, AND WOULD BE VIEWED IN KHARTOUM AS SAME AS HELPING SUDAN. OSMAN WAS PLEASED THAT U.S. THINKING IN TERMS OF ASSISTANCE TO SUDAN FARTHER ALONG THAN OUR PLANS VIS-A-VIS SOMALIA.

3. DEPARTMENT REPEAT AS DESIRED. BERGUS
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